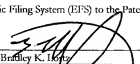


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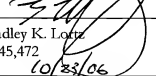
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In response to the Office Action dated June 22, 2006, which was made final, Applicants hereby request continued examination (RCE) of the above-identified patent application. The RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17 (e) is \$790. Payment by deposit account is made online and submitted herewith. Please enter and consider the Response Under 37 CFR §1.116 submitted herewith.

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that this application is now in good order for allowance and such allowance is respectfully solicited. Should the Examiner believe minor matters still remain that can be resolved in a telephone interview, the Examiner is urged to call Applicants' undersigned attorney.

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